2016 CURBSIDE SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING CALENDAR - Community Sanitation Service

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What is Single Stream Recycling?

Single stream recycling allows you to place mixed paper, cardboard, tin/aluminum can, plastic and glass bottles all into one container for recycling pick-up. Collection of single stream recycling will occur every other week on the same day as your regularly scheduled trash pick-up. Recycling weeks are colored in green on the calendar on the back of this brochure.

- Have trash and recycling stored separately.
- Place recyclables into
 <u>clear plastic bags</u>. This allows the collector to
 quickly inspect the recyclables for contamina tion before placing in the recycling truck.
- Set your recycling out every other week on the same day that your garbage is collected.
- All trash and recycling needs to be placed at the curbside by 7 A.M in order to ensure that it is picked up.
- Take care to not include any items with food contamination. Food residue may interfere with the recycling process, and lead to the contamination of an entire batch. This includes used paper towels, pizza boxes, and un-rinsed tin cans.

Do's and Don'ts of Single Stream Recycling

What to include....

- All plastics # 1-7 of any color with the exception of plastic bags, film, or Styrofoam.
- Aluminum drink cans
- Flattened boxes and cardboard remove any Styrofoam packing materials
- Envelopes
- Glass bottles and jars of any color
- Junk mail
- Magazines/Brochures
- Milk/Juice cartons
- Paper Computer, office, writing, bags, gift wrap, newspaper
- Phonebooks
- Tin cans

What not to include...

Place these items in your regular trash

- Aluminum foil
- Any type of paper with food waste, including paper towels.
- Bubble wrap
- Ceramic or porcelain
- Crystal
- Lawn chairs
- Mirrors
- Plexiglas/Acrylic sheets
- Ribbons and bows
- Styrofoam
- Vinyl
- Windows or Plate Glass



Tips for Single Stream

Recycling

- Look at the number inside of the recycling emblem to determine the type of plastic.
- Rinse bottles and cans to avoid attracting pests and to avoid contamination in the recycling process.
- Crush plastic bottles and remove caps.
- Remove lids from all glass bottles and jars.
- Store mixed paper in a dry area. Extra moisture will make it heavy, making it harder to carry to the curb.
- Breakdown small boxes, such as cereal and pasta boxes and place into a clear plastic bag.
- For larger boxes that won't fit into your clear plastic bag, break them down so that they lay flat. Place them on the ground under the bagged recyclables so that they don't blow away.

